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Brendan Carr, Commissioner
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Wireless Dkt. No. 17-79 (Ex Parte Submission)

Dear Commissioner Carr:

I want to thank you for leading the FCC's efforts to adopt new rules within the past year eliminating government policies that would dramatically slow the transition to 5G wireless service in the absence of FCC action. Examples include the FCC orders removing impediments to deployment of wireless infrastructure that resulted from earlier interpretations of the National Environmental Protection Act and the National Historic Preservation Act. Another example is your plan to take action at the FCC's upcoming September 25 meeting to reduce two impediments imposed by local governments to the deployment of new wireless infrastructure – the unreasonably long amount of time it often takes local governments to process applications to install new wireless facilities and the unduly large fees that local governments often charge to process those applications.

There are many reasons to support FCC actions invalidating policies that needlessly slow the deployment of 5G infrastructure and thereby lengthen the transition to 5G service from the 3G and 4G wireless service that exists today. For example, consumers will benefit from the dramatic improvements in data speed and call quality that 5G will bring about. Consumers likewise will benefit from the existence of a new Internet of Things market that 5G technology will create

But there is one additional benefit I want to point out. Thousands of companies – many of them small and mid-size companies - involved directly in the wireless industry - either as a manufacturer of software or hardware used in the provision of wireless service, or as an engineering or installation contractor for the wireless industry, or, as is the case with Condux, as a manufacturer of machines used to help install wireless network infrastructure. These thousands of companies will benefit economically from the much more rapid transition to 5G service that will occur once government-imposed obstacles to the deployment of 5G infrastructure are removed.

We appreciate your leadership on these important matters.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Eric Cope", written over a horizontal line.

Eric Cope, CEO

cc: Ajit Pai, Chairman
Mike O'Rielly, Commissioner
Jessica Rosenworcel, Commissioner